

### New Cars (as of March 2020)



CR Recommended	Make & Model	Overall Score	Road Test Results		Survey Results		Highs	Lows
			Road-test score	Overall mpg	Predicted reliability	Owner satisfaction		
✓	2020 Subaru Crosstrek	85	87	29	↑	↑	Ride, fuel economy, easy-to-use controls, braking.	Engine noise, seat short on lower-back support, plug-in hybrid only provides brief electric propulsion and battery robs cargo space.
✓	2020 Hyundai Kona	78	71	26	↑	↑	Agility, braking, controls.	Ride, noise, acceleration.
✓	2020 Nissan Rogue Sport	78	72	26	↑	↓	Practical with a modest footprint, relatively quiet for the class, fuel economy, straightforward controls, standard advanced safety features.	Slow acceleration, tight rear seat, phone interaction only through voice.
✓	2020 Mazda CX-3	73	64	28	↑	↓	Agile handling makes it fun to drive, very fuel efficient, small footprint makes it easy to park, standard forward collision warning and automatic emergency braking with pedestrian detection.	Very snug cabin with tight rear seat and narrow driving position, it is loud.
	2020 Ford EcoSport	68	61	24	↑	↓	Handling agility, easy to use controls, access.	Ride, noise, acceleration, cargo space, transmission, neither forward collision warning nor automatic emergency braking are available.
	2020 Honda HR-V	66	66	29	↑	↓	Practical, with roomy seating and plenty of cargo space; very fuel efficient.	Stiff ride, loud inside, tinny feel, seats are insubstantial and short on support, feels underpowered.
	2020 Chevrolet Trax	53	55	25	↓	↓	Compact size makes it easy to park, decent rear seat room for its tiny dimensions.	It's underpowered, 25 mpg not competitive among peers, uncomfortable ride, minimal cabin amenities with a short options list, hampered visibility, unsupportive front seats, infuriating touch-screen infotainment system, modern high-tech safety gear is not available.
	2020 Jeep Renegade	48	56	24	↓	↓	Jeep's esteemed brand image, lots of upscale options available, Trailhawk version can tackle some off-roading.	Anemic engine and excessive idle vibration; nine-speed automatic is neither smooth nor responsive; stiff, jittery ride; restricted view out; uncomfortable front seats; unimpressive fuel economy.
	2020 Fiat 500X	35	50	23	↓	↓	Reminds you of Luigi from the movie "Cars," tight turning circle and compact dimensions make it easy to maneuver, upscale feature availability.	Stiff ride, transmission is neither smooth nor responsive, noisy, unsupportive front seats, hampered visibility, touchy brake pedal, idle vibration.
	2021 Kia Seltos	In Test	NA	NA	↓	↑		
	2020 Mazda CX-30	In Test	NA	NA	↓	↓		
	2020 Mitsubishi Outlander Sport	Not Tested	NA	NA	↓	↓		

### HOW TO READ THE RATINGS

**Recommended vehicles**, indicated with a check mark (✓), are the models with the highest Overall Scores that meet the threshold in their category.

**Make + Model** reflect the vehicle we tested and its engine displacement.

**Overall Score** reflects a vehicle's performance in our road tests; the latest results from the reliability and owner satisfaction sections of CR's exclusive Annual Auto Surveys; the availability of frontal crash prevention systems with forward collision warning, automatic emergency braking, and pedestrian detection, along with blind spot warning; and, if available, results from government and insurance-industry crash tests.

**Survey Results** reflect findings from CR's Annual Auto Surveys, completed by Consumer Reports members.

**Predicted reliability** is our determination of how well a model will hold up, based on the problems that members reported in CR's Annual Auto Surveys, which include data on around 420,000 vehicles.

**Owner satisfaction** is based on the percentage of surveyed owners who said they would definitely buy the same car again. We use a model's latest three years of data to determine the prediction, provided it hasn't been redesigned or significantly updated. In cases where we have insufficient survey responses, or when a model is all-new or redesigned, we use our expert judgment based on brand track record and similar models to predict reliability and owner-satisfaction ratings.

**Road-Test Results** include CR's test findings that we feel are the most relevant. We buy and test between 50 and 60 vehicles each year, driving them for thousands of miles and putting them through more than 50 tests and evaluations. The results of these tests make up our road-test score. Some tests, such as those for braking and fuel economy, are measured with instruments; categories such as seat and ride comfort, noise, and fit and finish are graded by our experts. The Usability rating is a combination of our testers' assessments of the ease of performing everyday driving tasks, as well as cockpit ergonomics and interface design. The energy consumption of electric vehicles is expressed in a miles-per-gallon equivalent rating (MPGe). Energy consumption for plug-in hybrids is listed in electric and gas modes.

**Highs and Lows** give a quick summary of a model's notable strengths and weaknesses.

#### Why Some Vehicles Are Not Rated

Certain models have been redesigned or extensively freshened since our last test, or are new. All are scheduled to be included in future road tests. Models include the Chevrolet Corvette, Hyundai Sonata, Mazda CX-30, Mercedes-Benz GLB, Nissan Sentra, Toyota Highlander, and Volkswagen Passat.

#### What Our Ratings Symbols Mean



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